

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 9 and 10 in accordance with the following:

1. (currently amended) A file saving apparatus comprising:
 - a plural saving designating unit designating a plurality of saving destinations in which a single original file should be saved in response to a request from a user to save multiple copies of the single original file; and
 - a file saving unit separately saving and managing the single original file and copies of the single original file in the plurality of saving destinations designated by said plural saving designating unit.
2. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plural saving designating unit designates a plurality of file saving conditions.
3. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said file saving conditions can be designated for each of said plurality of saving destinations.
4. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said file saving conditions include designation of a term for which said file has been prepared.
5. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said file saving conditions include designation of a size of said file.
6. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 2, wherein said file saving conditions include designation of an implementor of said file.
7. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said plural saving designating unit saves at least one file unconditionally.

8. (original) The file saving apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
a link information storing unit storing inter-link information for the files saved at said plurality of saving destinations.

9. (currently amended) A file saving method comprising:
performing designation of saving destinations in which a file should be saved at a plurality of saving destinations in response to a request from a user to save multiple copies of the file; and
saving multiple copies of the file at the plurality of saving destinations thus designated.

10. (currently amended) A recording medium which is readable through an information apparatus, for storing a program for implementing, in the information apparatus, a file saving method comprising:
performing designation of preserving destinations into which a file should be saved at a plurality of saving destinations in response to a request from a user to save multiple copies of the file; and
saving multiple copies of the file at the plurality of saving destinations thus designated.